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TO: All In-State and Out-of-State Acute General Hospitals and all Independent Labs Participating in the Virginia Medical Assistance Program

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MEMO: Special

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SUBJECT: Changes to the Billing Process for Multiple Outpatient CAT, MRI, PET Scans Performed on the Same Day and the Associated Prior Authorization - Effective October 27, 2008

Effective October 27, 2008, providers who bill for an outpatient diagnostic CT scan (CPT codes 70450-76497), MRI (CPT codes 70336-76498) and /or PET scan (CPT 78459-78816) using the appropriate revenue codes (404, 350-359, and 610-615) and bill on the UB04 CMS 1450 will now be able to include one or more of these revenue codes on the same claim as well as the associated prior authorization (PA) number. The PA number(s) will be placed in locator 63 A, B and C on the UB-04 CMS-1450. Providers will continue to contact KePRO to request prior authorization. KePRO can be contacted via the information below:

Toll Free Phone: 1-888-VAPAUTH (1-888-827-2884)

Local Phone: (804) 622-8900

Fax: 1-877-OKBYFAX (1-877-652-9329)

2810 N. Parham Road, Suite 305
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Claims submitted by facilities billing one of the aforementioned revenue codes with CPT codes used for Radiologic Guidance, will no longer deny or require special processing due to the Prior Authorization requirement.

Any time one of the aforementioned revenue codes is billed on the UB04 CMS 1450, there must also be an associated CPT code on the claim.

ELIGIBILITY AND CLAIMS STATUS INFORMATION

DMAS offers a web-based Internet option (ARS) to access information regarding Medicaid or FAMIS eligibility, claims status, check status, service limits, prior authorization, and pharmacy prescriber identification. The website address to use to enroll for access to this system is <http://virginia.fhsc.com>. The MediCall voice response system will provide the same information

and can be accessed by calling 1-800-884-9730 or 1-800-772-9996. Both options are available at no cost to the provider.

“HELPLINE”

The “HELPLINE” is available to answer questions Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except on state holidays. The “HELPLINE” numbers are:

1-804-786-6273	Richmond area and out-of-state long distance
1-800-552-8627	All other areas (in-state, toll-free long distance)

Please remember that the “HELPLINE” is for provider use only. Please have your Medicaid Provider Identification Number available when you call.

COPIES OF MANUALS

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PROVIDER E-NEWSLETTER SIGN-UP

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